

DETAILED ACTION

Examiner's Amendment

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. James Signor (Reg # 59233) on 1/28/10.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 9-13 are canceled.

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Response to Amendment

2. Applicant's amendment filed on 12/11/09 has been entered and made of record.

Claims 9 -13 are canceled.

Claims 14-17 are new claims.

Claims 1- 8 and 14 -17 are pending in the application.

In response to applicant's submission of specification, filed on 12/11/09 the objection is withdrawn.

Response to Argument

3. Applicant's arguments see page 7- 8 of the remarks, filed 12/11/09, with respect to claims 1-8 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection under 101 has been withdrawn and claims 1-8 and 14-17 are now allowed.

Information Disclosure Statement

4. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 5/23/06; 7/8/09 the information disclosure statement has being considered by the examiner.

Reason For Allowance

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-8 and 14-17 are allowed and renumbered as 1-12.

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As pointed out by the applicant see page 7- 8 of the remarks, filed 12/11/09, with respect to claims 1- 8 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection under 101 has been withdrawn and claims 1- 8 and 14-17 are allowed.

6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted on later than the payment of the issue fee and to avoid processing delays should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled, comments on statement of reasons for allowance.

Contact Information

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sheela C Chawan whose telephone number is. 571-272-7446. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 8.30 am - 5.00 pm and every Wednesday work from home. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vikkram Bali can be reached on 571-272-7415. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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